

# The Evening Critic.

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## LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia, Maryland and Delaware, threatening weather and rising temperature and southerly winds, slightly warmer tonight, cooler Thursday.

## Outside Garments.

WE are showing this season an unusually FINE selection of new and ARTISTIC styles in Winter OVERCOATS for Men, Boys and Children.

If you have not yet decided on what kind of an Overcoat you want call and see OUR assortment. You are sure to find the one you want and at the PROPER price.

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Garments that are SPECIALLY adapted to the needs of a healthy growing boy. Bring your boy HERE and let US fit him with one. The PRICES are very moderate.

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## AMERICAN OUTFITTERS.

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## HE REFUSED TO SCARE.

The Unfortunate Mistake of a Fighting Man.

From the District Press.

A fellow with a ferocious moustache and a fog-horn voice, accompanied by two friends who had come along to see the fun, stepped up to a farmer's wagon on the market yesterday and roared out to the occupant:

"So I have run you down at last!" "I haven't been running as I know of," was the reply.

"Sirrah, you are the man! Three months ago I bought a bushel of potatoes of you, to be delivered at No. — Brush street."

"Well?" "They were never delivered! You kept my money! Now come my revenge!"

"You are a liar, sir!" "What! Insult to injury! Come down here and fight!"

"I'll come right down!" interrupted the farmer, and he did, but when his feet struck the earth the man with the awful voice had disappeared in the crowd.

How San Francisco Feels About the Bill.

Will some member of the Shipping League please tell us what commerce by sea the McKinley bill brings into the port of San Francisco? What prospect does it open for enlargement of our foreign trade? It probably vitiates the Hawaiian treaty by making sugar free, and then that treaty goes for nothing.

San Francisco commerce goes with it. If our ocean commerce is to be forbidden, what use is there for a ship subsidy to stimulate our merchant marine? Mr. Blaine said the bill did not provide a market for another barrel of flour or pork. Do not the members of the Shipping League see that the way to get ships out of subsidy is by enlarging instead of destroying our ocean trade?

Six Weeks' Labor for a Kiss.

An unfortunate young man of the name of Robert Reed, native of Totness, England, became enamored of a comely maiden who did not reciprocate his affection. The other day Robert met the cruel maiden and in a moment of uncontrollable passion put his arms about her and ravished a kiss. The girl had already been engaged to a former complaint named Robert, and the young man was apprehended and tried for his misdemeanor. The magistrate, after hearing the facts and considering the evidence, sentenced Robert to six weeks' imprisonment. As Robert walked off to prison he remarked proudly, "Well, the kiss was worth it!"

Relative Largeness.

From the New York Herald.

The private secretary of the Governor of Ohio is referred to by the newspapers as there is a young man whose brain, scientific the work is made by, is dwarfed by the magnitude of his wardrobe.

## A GREAT STRIKE.

MORE DISASTROUS TO AUSTRALIA THAN A CIVIL WAR.

HUNDREDS OF VESSELS ARE TIED UP.

Mr. Gladstone Has a Narrow Escape from an Awful Death.

WHY CHEVALIER SCOVOL DID NOT SING.

The Mashing Tenor Indulged in Too Realistic Love-Making With Geraldine Dimear.

London, Oct. 29.—The discouraging report received from Australia in reference to the great shipping strike is most disappointing to the friends of labor in England. In fact, neither side seems to be gaining any advantage, but the unfortunate struggle has resolved itself into a fight between two resolute bodies of men, and apparently will end only when the funds of one side are entirely exhausted. The Owners' Federation in England is sending assistance to the ship-owners of the Antipodes in sums of thousands of pounds, while the assistance rendered the laborers by English unions can be estimated only by hundreds. The struggle is as disastrous to Australia and New Zealand as a civil war would be, and quite bears out Sir Henry Parke's statement that a bombardment could not be worse for Sydney than the present strike. It seems now to be a question of how long the dockers can hold out against the owners' money, while on the other hand the owners' losses must run into enormous sums. The strike has caused the cessation of the trade in Australia and New Zealand, and the dockers' union can not hope to pit its collections from trade unions against the enormous sums of the owners. The friends of both sides are endeavoring to bring to an end this war and induce the leaders of the dock strikers to meet the owners on common ground, the owners making necessary concessions. The trade with Australia is seriously affected, hundreds of vessels being tied up unable to get loads.

Signor Crispien delivered an interesting address at a banquet in Turin last night. Referring to the Anglo-Italian negotiations, the Premier said that Italy had no reason to suspect for a moment the good intentions of England as an old and faithful friend of Italy, and an incident such as that in regard to Kassan would be permitted to interrupt a friendship founded on reciprocal interests, historical reasons, political traditions and common sentiments of liberalism.

Signor Crispien referred in terms of condemnation to the irredentist agitation as giving encouragement to the external and internal enemies of Italy, and he spoke of the value of the triple alliance in making Italian influence felt throughout Europe.

It transpires that Mr. Gladstone had an extremely narrow escape while inspecting the new Fort of Fort Mifflin a day or two ago. While he was absorbed in examining the different parts of the structure a train rushed by at a high rate of speed, just grazing the Premier in its flight and causing him to fall into the water. Though the gravity of the situation would have unnerved a younger and more vigorous man than Mr. Gladstone, he retained his presence of mind and betrayed much less agitation than any of those who witnessed his peril.

The Jewish residents of England have united in presenting an address of congratulation, which is to be presented to Cardinal Manning in commemoration of his recently celebrated jubilee marking his fiftieth year as a clergyman.

Large numbers of Poles and Galicians continue to emigrate to Brazil despite the prohibitory measures resorted to by the Russian authorities, who are preventing as many as possible from leaving the country.

Within the last six months over 300,000 have shipped from various ports for the new South American republic and doubtless as many more will follow. The Cape of Good Hope works if the officials would permit their perfect freedom in the matter.

All the morning newspapers applaud the lecture delivered last night by the Rev. Dr. Lewis of Boston, who declared that his hearers owe a debt of gratitude to the eloquent American.

## TWO REAL LOVE MAKING.

GERALDINE DIMEAR'S PROPOSAL TO AN AMERICAN TENOR.

LONDON, Oct. 29.—The row between the Cavalier Scovell and Mr. Selger, the manager of the Prince of Wales Theatre, has caused a great deal of talk in theatrical circles, and it is not over yet. It is difficult to get at the real source of the difficulty, and neither party is willing to tell the exact story.

The fact, however, is that Mr. Scovell, who boasts of his high voice, but his figure which makes him valuable to managers, failed to make a success of his first attempt to seduce the six weeks' maid of the theatre, "La Cigale," who was "mashed" on him, and every night he played his part of the stage lover with so much passion that he caused the lady a great deal of annoyance, which culminated on Saturday by Mr. Scovell lunging her so tight in one of the scenes that she nearly fainted. She struggled to get loose from his clutches, and even the audience noticed Miss Dimear's anger.

She left the stage in a high temper, and not only refused to speak to Mr. Scovell, but went to Mr. Selger and complained of the insult to which she had been subjected. Mr. Selger was indignant at this, and had an angry interview with the amateur tenor, which culminated in his saying to Mr. Scovell: "You had better throw up your contract. I don't want you any more."

Mr. Scovell replied he would leave, but after sleeping over the matter he decided he would make his manager stick to the contract, and he therefore got his lawyer to write a letter to that effect. Mr. Selger kept him out of the hall for five nights, and then in order to save a lawsuit, and to prevent Miss Dimear from being injured, he decided to let him go.

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## THE IRISH LEADERS' MISSION.

NOT FOR THE FAMINE, BUT FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES.

LONDON, Oct. 29.—The Cologne Gazette reports an interview had by a correspondent with T. P. O'Connor on Irish affairs. Among other things, Mr. O'Connor is reported as saying that the O'Brien-Dillon mission to the United States was not in connection with the Irish potato famine, which was the business of the British Government.

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## DUG HIS GRAVE.

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He Sought Their Place of Interment to End His Own Life.

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For the Time Being, but It Is Not Thought He Can Long Survive. A Father's Grief.

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He seemed particularly grieved over the loss of his children. He said himself that he did not like to meet their names, or even hear their names. Occasionally, when the deaths were mentioned, he became hysterical, and wept like a child for hours. None of his friends, however, dreamed that he would attempt to end his life.

One of his friends, who was to the habit of calling at the store daily, dropped in as usual yesterday and was surprised at not seeing Croly. He made inquiries and found that the physician had made it his custom to visit the graves of his two children every Sunday. The party proceeded in the direction of the place, and, on reaching it,

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## BACK FROM THE GRAVE.

A Sensation Which Recalls the Long Ago. Poetic Catastrophe.

MONTREAL, Oct. 29.—Last May when the Longue Pointe insane asylum was burned it was believed that over 100 people were burned to death. Many patients escaped, but it was supposed they had all been recaptured. Among those in the asylum was the wife of St. Laurent. It was thought she had been burned. Early yesterday morning Gauthier, accompanied by a neighbor, was coming into town with a wagon load of produce when they saw a woman lying beside the road. They roused her and asked her what she was doing there. She said she was looking for the road to St. Laurent and had traveled for many weeks, mentioning places she had visited in lower Quebec, 200 miles from Montreal.

Gauthier asked her to get into his wagon and he would drive her to a hotel further on. As she stepped into the wagon, he flashed his lantern into her face and dropped it with an exclamation of terror. The woman, he had found was his wife, who he supposed was dead, and whom he had not seen for over eighteen months. They drove her home at once, where it was found that she was half starved and nearly dead with cold. She is incapable of telling a coherent story of her wanderings since her escape from the asylum fire, but her sufferings must have been terrible, as her feet and limbs are blistered and sore.

There is great excitement in the village over the affair, and the simple people look upon Mrs. Gauthier's return almost as a miracle. She will not be returned to the asylum.

INSURANCE COMPANY FAILS. It is Probable, However, That It Will Pay.

CHICAGO, Oct. 29.—The Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Chicago made a voluntary assignment to T. C. Hill. The liabilities are said to be \$25,000 and \$35,000 of the contested claims against the company. The assets are set down at \$187,000, \$150,000 of this amount being in premium notes and the balance consisting of accounts receivable, notes and mortgages.

The company did a large business out of town, carrying many heavy risks throughout the West, South and North-west. Negotiations are now pending by which a reinsurance of all risks held by the company can be effected, and it is probable that all claims will be paid in full.

THE CAUSE OF THE FAILURE was said by Myron B. Beach, the company's attorney, to be principally in the unusually severe losses the company had sustained during the last year. It is also a fact that the company has suffered somewhat by a diminution of business common to all mutual companies of late.

NET A WARM RECEPTION. Four Men Start to Pay off a Grudge and Get Wounded.

ALLEGANY, Mich., Oct. 29.—Monday night four men went to the house of an old man named Griffin, in Ganges Township, with the intention of paying off an old grudge. They broke in on the house, but met with stout resistance from Griffin and a man named Hale, who was with him. In the melee Hale shot one of them and felled another with an axe. He then went for another, and upon returning found Griffin still alive, but badly used up and the assailants gone, having taken their wounded away in a wagon. Officers have gone from here to arrest those engaged and turn the two injured men over to the police.

WOODFOLK'S MOTIVE FOR THE CRIME was a desire to obtain possession of his father's property, which he feared would go to his father's second wife and her children.

KATE FRIDAY RELEASED. Her Sentence Was Illegal and She Gets Out of Albany.

Information has been received by District Attorney Hoge from District Attorney Alexander of the Northern District of New York that Kate Friday, the shoemaker, had been released from the Albany Penitentiary on the ground that her sentence was illegal. She went before the Supreme Court under a writ of habeas corpus.

A considerable money was expended to secure her liberty, and steps will now be taken to release the Lewis woman.

TO CELEBRATE A CENTENNIAL. On the day on which will be celebrated the centennial of the establishment of the National Capital at Washington, April 19 next, there will also be a celebration at the beginning of the second century of the United States patent system. A meeting to that end will be held Monday next at 4:30 p. m. in the Glover building, on Vermont street. Textualists have been invited to a number of prominent people at the request of a number of laymen and citizens of Washington, by Mr. James Y. Smith.

COMMUNIST FOR CONGRESS. TUESDAY, Oct. 29.—In the court which is trying the conspiracy case against Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien and others, Messrs. Gilman and Allen today were called to-day for the defense.

On cross-examination by the counsel for the Government the witnesses refused to give evidence, whereupon they were committed to jail until Friday for contempt.

GRACE MOORE. NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—The Wall Street Journal has called for a letter from Grace Moore, the actress, to be read at the opening of the new opera house at New York.

THE NEW CHURCH. BOSTON, Oct. 29.—The new church at Boston, which is being built by the Rev. Mr. Allen, is now nearly completed. It is a fine building, and will be dedicated on Monday next.

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